

HEALTHY CHOICES

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how healthy choices can improve health outcomes and reduce costs, after receiving testimony from Steve Burd, Burd Health, Alamo, California; Michael F. Roizen, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio; David A. Asch, University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine and the Wharton School Center for Health Care Innovation, Philadelphia; and Jennifer Mathis, Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Annemarie Carney Axon, to be United States District Judge for the

Northern District of Alabama, Michael Lawrence Brown, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, Thomas Alvin Farr, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina, William M. Ray II, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, and John C. Demers, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Scott C. Blader, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, Mark A. Klaassen, to be United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming, William C. Lamar, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi, John R. Lausch, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, and J. Douglas Overbey, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee, all of the Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4077–4089; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 574–575 were introduced. **Pages H8041–42**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8042–43**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1488, to retitle Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore as Indiana Dunes National Park, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–350);

H.R. 1731, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to provide funds to States and Indian tribes for the purpose of promoting economic revitalization, diversification, and development in economically distressed communities through the reclamation and restoration of land and water resources adversely affected by coal mining carried out before August 3, 1977, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–351, Part 1);

H.R. 2521, to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to include South Carolina as a part of the Virginia/Carolina peanut producing region for purposes of appointment to the Peanut Standards Board (H. Rept. 115–352);

H.R. 2941, to provide for the conveyance of certain National Forest System land within Kisatchie National Forest in the State of Louisiana (H. Rept. 115–353);

H.R. 2410, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize a sickle cell disease prevention and treatment demonstration program and to provide for sickle cell disease research, surveillance, prevention, and treatment (H. Rept. 115–354);

H.R. 3053, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–355, Part 1);

H.R. 3101, to enhance cybersecurity information sharing and coordination at ports in the United States, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–356, Part 1);

H.R. 2921, to establish a vegetation management pilot program on National Forest System land to better protect utility infrastructure from passing wildfire, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–357, Part 1);

H.R. 3921, to extend funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–358, Part 1); and

H.R. 3922, to extend funding for certain public health programs, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–359, Part 1). **Page H8041**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Issa to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8039**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Gene Hemrick, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Washington, DC. **Page H8039**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018—Change in Conferees: The Chair appointed the following conferee on H.R. 2810, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Representative Walden: Representative Shimkus. **Page H8039**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018—Modification of Instruction to Conferees: The Chair announced the following modification to the appointment of conferees from the Committee on Natural Resources on H.R. 2810, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, and to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year: strike the first reference to section 2863. **Page H8039**

Senate Referrals: S. 705 was held at the desk. S. Con. Res. 26 was held at the desk. **Page H8039**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H8039.

Quorum Calls Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Rules, October 23, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 469, the “Sunshine for Regulations and Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act of 2017”; and H.R. 732, the “Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2017”, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.